

Prisoners.

SEC. 16. That all persons who may be liable to imprisonment under any process, either civil or criminal, in Pender county before the completion of the jail therein may be committed to the jail of New Hanover county or any adjoining county, as the commissioners of Pender may direct.

Superior Court.

SEC. 17. There shall be a Superior Court opened and held for the county of Pender on the second Monday in July and the third Monday in December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, and each year thereafter, at such places as may be determined upon according to the provisions of section eleven of this act, and the judge of the fourth judicial district shall preside thereat.

Survey and plat.

SEC. 18. That the county commissioners shall as soon as practicable appoint one or more suitable persons to make a survey and plat of said county of Pender, he or they first taking an oath before some acting justice of the peace for the faithful discharge of his duty.

County site.

SEC. 19. When a permanent seat of justice shall be determined upon according to the provisions of section twenty of this act, the county commissioners shall proceed at once to procure by donation or purchase not less than ten nor more than two hundred acres of land within one mile of the selected point, which land shall be conveyed to the chairman of the board of commissioners and his successors in office forever, for the use of said county; and further they shall take such action as may be necessary to have said land laid off in lots and streets of such size and width as they may decree right and proper in said town, which shall be called Cowan, and shall be the seat of justice of said county, and after designating such of said lots as shall be kept for public purposes, the said county commissioners, after thirty days' public notice, made in such manner as they may deem best, shall expose said lots or such of them as they may think should be sold, to public sale at auction on such credit as they may deem proper, with interest from date payable to the chairman of the county commissioners of said county,